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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claim 1 (withdrawn): A prosthesis, comprising:

a plurality of cells, each cell having a bottom end and a top end;

a flattened bulbous tail at the bottom end of at least more than one of the cells; and

an apex at the top end of each cell, the apex having a smaller surface area than the flattened bulbous tail.

Claim 2 (withdrawn): The prosthesis of claim 1, wherein the bottom end of each cell includes a flattened bulbous tail.

Claim 3 (withdrawn): The prosthesis of claim 1, the flattened bulbous tails at the bottom end of the prosthesis contouring into the body of the prosthesis.

Claim 4 (withdrawn): The prosthesis of claim 1, wherein adjacent flattened bulbous tails at the bottom end of the prosthesis are staggered longitudinally.

Claim 5 (withdrawn): The prosthesis of claim 1, further comprising:

a substantially rounded edge about the circumference of the prosthesis at the bottom end;

and

a substantially rounded edge about the circumference of the prosthesis at the top end.

Claim 6 (withdrawn): The prosthesis of claim 1, further comprising:

a substantially chamfered edge about the circumference of the prosthesis at the bottom end; and

a substantially chamfered edge about the circumference of the prosthesis at the top end.

Claim 7 (withdrawn): A prosthesis, comprising:

a plurality of cells, each cell having a bottom end and a top end;